

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace the following text in paragraph [0003] (page 1, lines 16-22) of the Specification with the following amended paragraph:

In the applicant's co-pending disclosure WO 00/48063, incorporated herein by reference, there is disclosed the concept of a 'trusted computing platform' comprising a computing platform which has a 'trusted component' in the form of a built-in hardware and software component. This document describes the use of a Trusted Device (TD) or Trusted Platform Module (TPM) to enable verification of the integrity of computing apparatus by the reliable measurement and reporting of integrity metrics. A TD/TPM conforms to the Trusted Computing Platform Alliance (TCPA) specification[[,]] see for example [www.trust-edpc.org](http://www.trust-edpc.org).

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